

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
U.S. Appln. No. 10/781,841

REMARKS

On page 2 of the Office Action (dated May 16, 2006), in Parent Application No. 09/976,165 (filed January 15, 2003), the Examiner indicates that the amino acid sequence (YRKKR) at page 59, line 16 has been mis-labelled as SEQ ID NO:80; and also on page 59, line 17, an amino acid sequence (GRKKR) does not have a sequence ID number, but the sequence ID number is located in the CFR as SEQ ID NO:80. The Examiner has requested a Substitute Sequence Listing to correct the same.

Hence, Applicants hereby amend the present specification to correct the obvious errors noted above. Further, Applicants are filing simultaneously herewith a Substitute Sequence Listing (along with the DOS version diskette thereof) in order to obtain consistency between the present application and the parent application.

Also on page 2 of the Office Action, the Examiner issues a Restriction Requirement as between one of the inventions of the following groups:

Group I - Claims 29 and 34, drawn to an isolated polypeptide;

Group II - Claims 30-33, drawn to an isolated DNA sequence; and

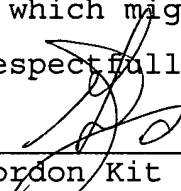
Group III - Claim 35, drawn to an antibody.

Accordingly, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, i.e., Claims 30-33, without traverse, and cancel the non-elected claims without prejudice to the filing of a Divisional Application(s) based thereon.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number on any questions which might arise.

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